October, 2019

Dear Special Friends,

Good evening from **Lagos**, as I'm at home in **Nigeria** for several weeks in **September** and **October**. Already this year, I've been in eight different countries, and have five more yet, between now and the end of this year. I'm leaving in a few days for the southern part of **Africa**, to be away for two months.

Thanks so very much for praying always for me, traveling so much of the time to many different places, by **plane**, by **train**, by **boat**, by **bus**, by **car**, and by **foot**, ministering in **cities**, **towns**, and **villages**.

God is so faithful, and He's taken me to so many countries to minister with my beloved late husband, **Rev. Arthur E. Hokett**, and now for the past over **eight years**, by myself. We first came to **Africa** in **1967**, to **Ghana**, and later, to **Nigeria**, and I'm still here, after over **52 years** in **Africa**!

I'm so very grateful for your **prayers** and **offerings**, as they're both so very important. Together, we're making a difference for **Jesus**, especially here in **Africa**!

Last month, I was ministering in **Abuja**, the capital city, and also here in the **Lagos** area. In **Abuja**, I was able to see with my eyes, and hold her in my arms, a precious little girl, now over four months old. She's the **miracle daughter** of my good friends, who are pastors there.

I prayed for them for years to have a child, and God has done it, after **eighteen and a half years** of waiting. **God** answers prayer, and **He'll** do it for you or someone you know! Please, don't give up!

In **Ghana**, both of the two new churches we're helping build in the **North**, have finished putting the roof on, at <u>Chuchuliga</u> (No. 85), and at <u>Gbankoni</u> (No. 86). The pastors have sent pictures, and I know the people are smiling with joy in both places, while I'm smiling here, with gratefulness to **God**, too!

The people are plastering walls and casting the cement floor at the church in <u>Gbimsi</u>, and still working on church buildings, doing various things, in other places. They can continue, step by step, as **God** keeps providing the funds given by friends everywhere I go, helping me, so I can help them.

At **Zabzoaga**, they're preparing for a big **Dedication Day** on **Jan. 4**; at **Kobori, on Jan. 7**; at **Savelugu on Jan. 11**, and at **Bincheratanga on Jan. 18**. I'll be in **Ghana** again at that time, to see these churches we've been helping to build in the **North**, and be a part of the dedication services.

I'll be traveling to **Zambia** in the next few days to minister for several weeks in different parts of the country, and then go on a bus all day to **Zimbabwe** for a few days of ministry there. I'll miss my usual time in **Swaziland** in **November**, as I'll be in **Israel** and **Jordan**.

A friend I've known all his life is a successful lawyer in the U.S., where he and his wife heard me say that I've never been to **Israel**, but hoped to go there someday. He called me in **July**, saying that they wanted to give me a wonderful gift, and pay all the expenses for me to join them, their pastors, and others on a trip to **Israel** in **November**!

So, all the plans have been made for me to meet them there, for a trip to many places mentioned in the **Bible**, and to walk where **Jesus** walked! I'm looking forward to going there in **November**, then back to **Africa**, to minister in **Botswana** and **South Africa**, then back to **Nigeria**. Thanks for praying!

The beautiful "Thought for the Day" calendar for 2020 is available, and it's our 29th time

to print it here in **Nigeria**. I hope you can get a copy, and even some for friends, also for your relatives, too!

"October" begins with the letter "O," but the word "Open" also begins with "O," too! I'm praying for "Open Doors of Favor" and "Open Heavens" for you in the month of October! Have an "Open Heart!"

Love, Doris Hokett